ങ്ങുകളും മറ്റും ചാലക്കുടി മാർക്കറ്റിൽ കൊണ്ടുപോയി വില്പന നടത്തുവാൻ. ഈ സംഗതി ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട റോഡ് ബോർഡ് അദ്ധ്യക്ഷൻ അവർകളുടെ ശ്രദ്ധയിൽ പതിഞ്ഞു. അവിടം മുഖാന്തിരം അതിനു നിവാരണമുണ്ടാക്കുവാൻ ശ്രമിക്കുമെന്നു ഞാൻ വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നു. മിസ്റ്റർ മൂത്തേടൻ പറഞ്ഞതുപോലെ ഭക്ഷ്യോല്പാദനപദ്ധതിയനുസരിച്ചു മേലൂർ മലകളിൽ കൃഷി ചെയ്യുണ്ടാക്കുന്ന കിഴങ്ങുകളും മറ്റും ഇങ്ങോട്ടു കടത്തിക്കൊണ്ടുവരേണ്ടതുകൊണ്ടു് ഫ്രഫ്രവ്യ-ൽതന്നെ ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിന്റെ ശ്രദ്ധ ഈ കാര്യത്തിൽ പതിക്കണമെന്നു ഞാൻ. അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു. മിനിസ്റ്റർ ഇതിൽ മനസ്സുവെച്ചതുകൊണ്ടു മാത്രം പോര എന്നു സംഗതിയും ഞാൻ ഇവിടെ പറഞ്ഞുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur)*: Sir, I support this motion. So far as the importance of the road is concerned, it is a very important road and as rightly said by my Hon'ble Friend Mr. Moothedan, Melur is one of the best agricultural centres in the Mukundapuram Taluk. This road will be an outlet for the market. It will serve a very useful purpose. As this motion comes in the Panchayats, I would like to point out to the Hon'ble Minister that if what the Hon'ble Mover wants is the Panchayat road, the Hon'ble Minister should never support that motion. On the other hand, according to the scheme which he has now promulgated in his budget speech, he has simply to leave it to the Panchayats and not to tamper with the Panchayats. And if the Panchayat is not discharging its duties properly, I would request the Public Works Department to consider this question and attach some importance to it.

Mr. K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: Why should the Public Works Department intervene?

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur)*: So far as I understand, any road can be in the Public Works Department as in the Panchayat Department. There is no watertight compartment. If the Panchayat is not taking up this road, there is no harm for the Public Works Department to take it up. It is such an important road. At this stage, I would request the Honble Minister not to interfere.

Mr. M. L. Joseph *(Latin-Christians-Cranganur)*: By-the-by, there is difference between a Panchayat road and a Public Works Department road.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: He wants only a road.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural)*: There is a Panchayat road. That should be extended, that is all.

Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram)*: According to this division, Chalakkudi will get Rs. 657, which will not be sufficient for the construction of the road.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur)*: May I know, Sir what is the approximate cost of the road.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer)*: The cost of the road will be Rs. 6,000. This question of the road from Chalakkudi market to Vettikadavu ferry has been before the Government for some time and the member has been moving this subject before the House for many years. Unfortunately, it was not possible for the Government to take it up on account of the fact that this road was not included in the last Road Board programme. During the period of 6 years, no work could be done on this proposal. Now I have placed this proposal before the Road Board, and they will be examining this question and submitting the report early in October.

Mr. K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: The Road Board may not find money for this road in the near future. So many works are pending with the Road Board.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: The answer given by the Engineer is really of some hope; but I don't know how long we will have to wait. I do not say it is hopeless. What is required is it should be done urgently. There is no use of waiting for two, three, four or five years. If it is done urgently, Government also will be benefited. I don't want to press the motion.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn

CUT MOTION No. 4

Repairing of Panchayat Roads Leading to the Chalakkudi Hospital —Kunnath Angadi Road

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: *"To reduce the allotment of Rs. 9,051 for Executive staff, by Re. 1.*

To request Government to keep under proper repair the Panchayat roads, leading to the Chalakkudi Hospital—Kunnath Angadi road in Kizhekke Chalakkudi, deserves the first consideration."

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This is very important. Patients to the Chalakkudi Hospital have to be taken along this road. Sometimes the roads are knee-deep. They are not looked after. I have heard so many complaints from people that the roads are so bad that great inconvenience is felt by the patients going to the hospital. Formerly this road was attended to by the Engineering Department. Then the Panchayat took it up. Now the Panchayat does not care. The Chief Engineer also does not care. Nobody looks after it. Therefore I would request the Hon'ble Minister to see that this road is repaired.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, This is a Panchayat road. According to the new scheme, the Panchayat has to attend to this work. It is true that the condition of the road is not very good. But, for want of sufficient allotments for maintenance, all Panchayat roads are not up to the mark. It is after realising this that we have just now provided Rs. 10,000 more for the maintenance of these Panchayat roads. I think with this additional allotment, the Panchayat may be able to do something better at any rate. I shall bring this matter to the notice of the Panchayat, that the Hon'ble Member for Chalakkudi brought this matter to the notice of the Government and there was a discussion on the matter. I will place this fact before the Panchayat and it is up to them to decide whether they should utilise the maintenance amount for this work or for any other work. I would suggest to the Hon'ble Member to meet the Panchayatdars and bring it to their notice and see that this road is properly maintained. I hope with this statement the Hon'ble Member will withdraw his motion.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* I shall see what I can do. The Hon'ble Minister knows personally the condition of the road and therefore he will also make some recommendation to the Panchayat. I therefore withdraw the motion.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn

CUT MOTION No. 5

Repairs to Muzhikkal Bridge

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi): "To reduce the allotment of Rs. 9,051 for executive staff, by Re. 1. (To request the Government to repair the Muzhikkal bridge in the Melur village immediately. This bridge has been seriously damaged by the cyclone.)*

This bridge is considerably damaged by the cyclone. There is a temple there known as Edathrakkavu Temple. The Director of Public Instruction knows that temple. Members of the Royal Family also visit this temple. They don't go now because the bridge is damaged. It was constructed only in 1112 or so. On account of the cyclone, it was considerably damaged. I understand that it cannot be used by the public. The Panchayat has done something to patch up the work. It is thoroughly unfit for travelling by car. Therefore the Minister may see that it is repaired.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* It is true that the bridge has been damaged during the last cyclone and the work could not be carried out this year. It has been provided for in 1118 budget and it will be carried out next year.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* I thank the Hon'ble Minister.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn

CUT MOTION No. 6

Inadequate provision made for the maintenance of Cherochal chira

Mr. P. K. Madhava Menon *(Narakkal): To reduce the allotment of Rs. 7,070 for B. Irrigation—by Re. 1. (The inadequate provision made for the maintenance of Cherochal chira in Srimoola Nagaram Panchayat).*

After sending this cut motion, I have come to learn that this matter has been under correspondence with the Government and therefore I am not moving it.

Cut motion not moved, hence considered withdrawn

CUT MOTION No. 7

Change of policy regarding the Village libraries

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South): To reduce the allotment of Rs. 14,405 for Village Panchayats, by Re. 1. (To discuss the change of policy adopted by the Hon'ble Minister regarding the Village libraries).*

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